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SUBJECT: JAPANESE REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S JANUARY 24 STATEMENT
ON NUCLEAR TESTING AND ARMS CONTROL

1. JAPANESE MEDIA GAVE PROMINENT PLAY TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S JANUARY 24 CALL FOR END TO NUCLEAR TESTING AND LIMITATION OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS SALES. EDITORIAL REACTION WAS UNANIMOUS IN PRAISE AND SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT. IN EDITORIAL ENTITLED, "WE UPHOLD US IDEA OF ELIMINATING NUCLEAR WEAPONS," YOMIURI DESCRIBED GLOBAL THREAT POSED BY UNLIMITED EXPANSION OF NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS AND SUPPORTED PRESIDENT'S INTENTION OF USING SALT AS "THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS THE ELIMINATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS." ASAHI EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PRESIDENT'S DESIRE FOR COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN. NOTING THAT "IT CANNOT BE EXPECTED THAT AN AGREEMENT WILL BE REACHED IN THE NEAR FUTURE BETWEEN THE US AND USSR ON THE PROBLEM OF INSPECTION," ASAHI EXPRESSED HOPE "THE NEW US PRESIDENT WILL DO HIS BEST." YOMIURI WELCOMED PRESIDENT'S STATEMENTS NOT ONLY ON NUCLEAR TESTS BUT ALSO ON LIMITATION OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS SALES WHOSE
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VOLUME POSES "AN EVEN MORE SERIOUS MENACE TO WORLD PEACE THAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS." TOKYO SHIMBUN TOOK MOST CAUTIONARY NOTE, OBSERVING THAT WHILE PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS WERE "AN EXPRESSION OF HIS IDEAL," THERE WAS NOT YET "CONCRETE PROSPECT OF NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT."

2. FONOFF DISARMAMENT DIVDIR WATANABE INFORMED EMBOFF

THAT GOJ BOTH WELCOMED AND WAS "HIGHLY ENCOURAGED"
BY PRESIDENT'S REMARKS ON COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AND
LIMITATIONS OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS. HE
REAFFIRMED JAPANESE DESIRE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH USG
IN THESE FIELDS.
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